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This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows (check time period desired):

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))	\$ 120.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))	\$ 450.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))	\$ 1,020.00
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<input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))	\$ 2,160.00

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$ _____.

☒ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.

☐ Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

☐ The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.

☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 50-0911.

I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

I am the ☐ applicant/inventor.

☐ assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.
Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).

☐ attorney or agent of record. Registration Number _____

☒ attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34(a).
Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34(a) 52,587

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NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below

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